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IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A reflective bracket comprising:

a channel comprising a reflective material, a longitudinal axis, and at least one ventilation opening therethrough, said at least one ventilation opening positioned substantially at a bottom of said channel, and configured to prevent a reflection of heat from said bottom of said channel, said channel including a first side and a second side, one of said first and second sides including channel ends formed thereon; and

a shield extending from said channel ends and positioned proximate said channel bottom, said shield configured to substantially cover a heating element mounted between said shield and said channel bottom.

2. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said channel has a parabolic shape.

3. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said at least one ventilation opening extends longitudinally along said channel.

4. (canceled)

5. (previously presented) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said shield is integral with said channel.

6. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 1 wherein said channel comprises a first side and a second side, said at least one ventilation opening extending laterally along said sides of said channel.

7. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 6 further comprising a flap extending from one of said first side and said second side.

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8. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 1 further comprising at least one holding bracket extending from an end of said channel.

9. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 8 wherein said at least one holding bracket is integrally formed with said channel.

10. (currently amended) A reflective bracket comprising:

a channel comprising a reflective material, a longitudinal axis, and at least a first ventilation opening and a second ventilation opening therethrough, said first ventilation opening and said second ventilation opening extending obliquely to one another, said first ventilation opening positioned substantially at a bottom of said channel, and configured to prevent a reflection of heat from said bottom of said channel, said channel including a first side and a second side, one of said first and second sides including channel ends formed thereon; and

a shield extending from said channel ends and positioned proximate said channel bottom, said shield configured to substantially cover a heating element mounted between said shield and said channel bottom.

11. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 10 wherein the channel comprises a first side and a second side, said first ventilation opening extending longitudinally along said channel, and said second ventilation opening extending laterally along the sides of said channel.

12. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 11 further comprising a third ventilation opening extending laterally along said sides of said channel, said at least first ventilation opening positioned between said second ventilation opening and said third ventilation opening.

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14. (previously presented) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 10 wherein said shield is integrally formed with said channel.

15. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 10 further comprising at least one holding bracket extending from said channel.

16. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 15 wherein said holding bracket comprises a plurality of fingers.

17. (original) A reflective bracket in accordance with Claim 15 wherein said holding bracket is integrally formed with said channel.